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Dear Sirs:

Submitted herewith are the following documents:

Request to Withdraw as Attorney of Record;

Copy of Notice to Client of the Request to Withdraw; \square

 \square Copy of E-Mail Correspondence from Client; and

 \square Postcard as for return as receipt of the above-identified documents.

Dated: December 9, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

Leah Sherry Reg. No. 43,918

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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEYS OF RECORD IN PATENT MATTER

Dear Sirs:

This is a request for permission to withdraw as attorneys of record in this application under 37 CFR 1.36.

1. Reason for Request

The attorneys of record request mandatory withdrawal under 37 CFR 10.40, and specifically under 10.40(b)(4), because the client has discharged the firm and its practitioners from representing the client before the U.S. Patent Office in the above-referenced matter. We enclose a copy of the client's e-mail correspondence dated December 5, 2003.

2. Due Notice to Client

The attorneys of record have given due notice of their withdrawal to the client pursuant to the discharge. We enclose copies of the letter transmitted to the client containing such notice. We also sent a copy of this request to the client.

3. Delivery of Papers to Client

We have delivered or are in the process of delivering to the client all the papers comprising this application and its prosecution.

4. Status of Application and Next Action

This application is currently awaiting the first Office Action.

5. Please change the correspondence address and direct all future correspondence to:

Hewlett-Packard Company
Intellectual Property Administration
P.O. Box 272400
Fort Collins, CO 80527-2400
Attn: Richard P. Lange

6. This Request to Withdraw is made on behalf of me, all the attorneys/agents of record, and all attorneys listed under Customer No. 37509.

Signature of Representative of Withdrawing Attorneys

Leah Sherry - Reg. No. 43,918

Signature of Representative of Withdrawing Attorneys on Behalf of All Withdrawing Attorneys

Dated: December 9, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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Re: Notice of Withdrawal and Delivery of Papers of Patent Case

Dear Rich:

This letter is to give you notice that, pursuant to your telephone and follow-up e-mail instructions of December 5, 2003, to return to you the files of all Hewlett-Packard (H-P) patent matters being handled by Dechert, we have taken the necessary steps for withdrawing as attorneys of record in the pending H-P patent matters, as required under California and U.S. Patent rules of practice. We are enclosing herewith a copy of our requests to withdraw as attorneys of record for each of the pending patent application matters being handled by Dechert LLP. In further accordance with these rules we have gathered and prepared for delivery to you the papers comprising the H-P patent applications and their prosecution.

We anticipate that Hewlett-Packard will pay the outstanding invoices for our work on these patent matters. If you have any questions about any of these arrangements, please call me.

In closing, we have enjoyed supporting you in managing the patent portfolio of your organization. We likewise appreciate your kind remarks about our work over the years. Going forward, we hope to have the opportunity to provide you additional service.

Very truly yours,

Leah Sherry

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Leah,

Per our conversation this morning, please forward all HP/Compaq patent files in your possession to HP as soon as reasonable possible. Dechert LLP has a conflict of interest with HP and is not on the approved list of outside counsel.

It is my understanding that you have approximately thirty such files. Please send me a list of the HP/Compaq patent files by email on Monday. Glenda Glilland will be working with me concerning the details of transferring these files to HP.

Jennifer Rodriguez (650 857 4635) and I are attempting to move all of the invoices from Dechert as quickly as possible through the HP system. Jennifer is your contact person for administrative details related to the Dechert invoices.

As I mentioned, a number of the invoices are not prepared as required by the HP Outside Counsel procedures, or are for services not authorized by HP, i.e. copying, postage, forwarding PTO correspondence, etc., or both. These invoices with be returned for correction, or without payment, as appropriate.

Thank you for all of the great patent work through the years! At the same time you have transitioned through several law firms, I have evolved through several companies. We do indeed live in dynamic times!

Rich

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